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January 21, 2003

Ms. Mary Ann Wright  
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Utah Department of Natural Resources  
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

**Re: Barrick Mercur Mine Reclamation Project – Annual Report – M/045/017**

Dear Ms. Wright:

Enclosed, please find the Annual Report of Mining Operations (MR-AR) for the Barrick Mercur Mine Reclamation Project for 2002. Additionally, a copy of the "Construction Quality Assurance Report – 2002 Construction Reclamation for the Reservation Canyon Tailings Impoundment" is provided herein.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.

Respectfully;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rocky Chase", with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

Rocky Chase

Via Certified Mail – Return Receipt Requested (7001 2510 0003 0784 0709)

cc: W. Schubert, Mercur (w/attachment)  
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ANNUAL REPORT OF MINING OPERATIONS

The informational requirements of this form are based on provisions of the Mined Land Reclamation Act, Title 40-8, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended, and the General Rules as promulgated under the Utah Minerals Regulatory Program. An operator conducting mining operations under a Notice of Intention must file an annual operations and progress report (FORM MR-AR) with the Division.

I. General Information

1. Report Time Period: From (mo./yr.) 1/2002 To (mo./yr.) 12/2002
2. DOGM File Number (Mine No): M/4500/17
3. Mine Name: Mercur Mine Closure Project
4. Mineral(s) Mined (or permitted to mine): Gold
5. Type of mine ☒ Surface Mine or ☐ Underground Mine
6. Legal Description (Location of Lands Affected):  
1/4, 1/4, 1/4, Section 4-9, Township 6-S, Range 3-W.  
1/4, 1/4, 1/4, Section, Township, Range  
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7. Name of Operator or Company: Barrick Resources (USA) Inc.
8. Permanent Street Address: 136 East South Temple, Suite 1050  
City, State, Zip: Salt Lake City, UT 84111  
Phone: 801-741-4660 Fax: 801-539-0665
9. Company Representative (or designated operator):  
Name: Rocky Chase  
Title: Area Manager, Nevada and Utah  
Business Address: P.O. Box 10  
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☒ Please check if any of the above information has changed since previous year.

## II. Mining and Reclamation

1. Was there any mine related activity during the past year? Yes X No
2. If no - what was the last year of activity?
3. If yes - how much ore or mineral was mined?   0
4. Briefly describe the type of work performed, volume of material moved, and any new or additional surface disturbances that occurred during the past year.
  - **Approximately 57 acres of tailing surface was covered and reseeded during 2002.**
  - **The spillway and north diversion channel were constructed with completion of the tailings cover.**
  - **Other minor disturbed areas were re-covered with topsoil and reseeded during 2002 including miscellaneous roads and borrow areas.**
  - **Weed control; monitoring and activities were ongoing.**
  - **Marion Hill earth-flow monitoring continued.**
5. How much **additional acreage** was disturbed during the past year?   0
6. How much acreage was **reclaimed** during the past year?   0
7. Briefly describe the reclamation work performed during the past year. This description should include methods employed, and an evaluation of the results.
  - **Tailing forced evaporation continued in 2002.**
  - **Dewatering of Valley Fill Leach Area 3 continued.**
  - **Other minor disturbed areas were re-covered with topsoil and reseeded during 2002 including miscellaneous roads and borrow areas.**
  - **Approximately 57 acres of tailing surface were covered, topsoiled, and seeded during 2002.**
  - **Approximately 45 acres were sprayed for weed control.**
8. What is the **total disturbed acreage** of entire project at years end?
  - **There are 1,787 acres within the area that was permitted to be disturbed during the life of the mine. Of that area, 1,697 acres are undisturbed or were previously reclaimed and/or revegetated. The remaining area of disturbance consists of pit highwalls (79 acres), the East Bay of the tailings impoundment (10 acres), and the administration building area (1 acre).**
9. Briefly summarize any mining and/or reclamation plans for the upcoming year.
  - **Forced evaporation will continue at the East Bay.**
  - **Continued monitoring of the Marion Hill earth-flow is planned.**
  - **Continued monitoring of the weed control program is scheduled.**

**NOTE:** Section III., "Additional Information" applies only to **large mining operations**.

III. Additional Information - R647-4-121.2 and .3

1. The operator shall include an updated map depicting surface disturbance and reclamation performed during the year, prepared in accordance with Rule R647-4-105.
  - Attached, please find a copy of the "Construction CQA Report – 2002 Construction Reclamation for the Reservation Canyon Tailings Impoundment" which contains updated figures for the final cover of the tailing facility.
2. The operator shall keep and maintain timely records relating to his performance under the Act, and shall make these records available to the Division upon request. None

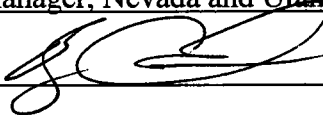
IV. Signature Requirement

**I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.**

Name (Typed or Print): Rocky Chase

Title of Operator: Area Manager, Nevada and Utah

Signature of Operator: \_\_\_\_\_



Date: January 21, 2002

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